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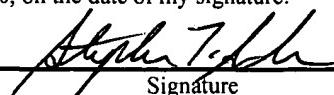
For: Multilayer Film Structures Having)
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SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT

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Preliminary Comments

This substitute amendment is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated September 16, 2003 and further in response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2003. Applicants have respectfully re-submitted the response, including the non-compliant section, "Amendments to the Claims" of Applicants' previous Amendment, dated September 3, 2003. Further, Applicants have re-submitted the "Remarks" section because the correction of the claim numbering in the present Substitute Amendment has changed the reference to the claims in the "Remarks" section. Applicants respectfully request that the present Substitute Amendment be examined in place of the previous Amendment submitted on September 3, 2003.